



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Cohen, et al.

Serial No.: 09/206,027

Confirmation No.: 4950

Filed: December 4, 1998

For: Plasma Preclean With Argon,
Helium and Hydrogen Gases

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Group Art Unit: 1765

Examiner: Lan Vinh

MAIL STOP PETITION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 37 CFR 1.8	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on March 11, 2004 with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop DAC, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
<u>3/11/2004</u> Date	<u>Robert D. Edwards</u> Signature

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)**

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, which set a three month period for reply on June 19, 2003. The date of abandonment is September 19, 2003, and a Notice of Abandonment was mailed on February 26, 2004.

APPLICANTS HEREBY PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT OF THIS APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.181(a).

Applicants submit that a timely and proper reply to the Office Action was filed with the PTO on June 19, 2003, as evidenced by the attached certificate of transmission on page 1 of the Applicants' Response, the Applicants' fax confirmation, and the PTO's Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission confirmation, all dated June 19, 2003. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.8(b).

Although Applicant believes no fees are due in connection with this petition, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/3049.X1/BTP, for any fees, including extension of time fees required to make this petition timely and acceptable to the Office. Applicant respectfully requests that the petition be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robb D. Edmonds", is written over a solid horizontal line.

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